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✓ A one-page preliminary assessment of a modified KOTLIN-class guided missile destroyer, seen in Sevastopol in the spring of 1962, and of a KYNDA-class guided missile destroyer, sighted underway off Leningrad, Provisional drawings of each vessel are included

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1. Modified KOTLIN

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- (a) Recent sighting in SEVASTOPOL [] of a KOTLIN destroyer which has been modified with some form of S.A.G.W. on the stern.
- (b) Preliminary assessment of characteristics are as follows:-
- (i) Ship is a KOTLIN and not KIIDIN or KOTLIN G.W.
 - (ii) The mainmast is probably solid and tapered and with a large aerial of a new type.
 - (iii) There is unlikely to be any armament abaft the bridge but forward armament will be normal.
 - (iv) The ships outline may be quite changed aft of the bridge. It is possible the deck line may be relatively straight and unbroken extending from the bridge to the stern.
 - (v) A SAM or G.M. mounting is sited near the stern.

2. KYINDA Missile Destroyer (Head Office letter 95300(24) of 30.1.62 refers)

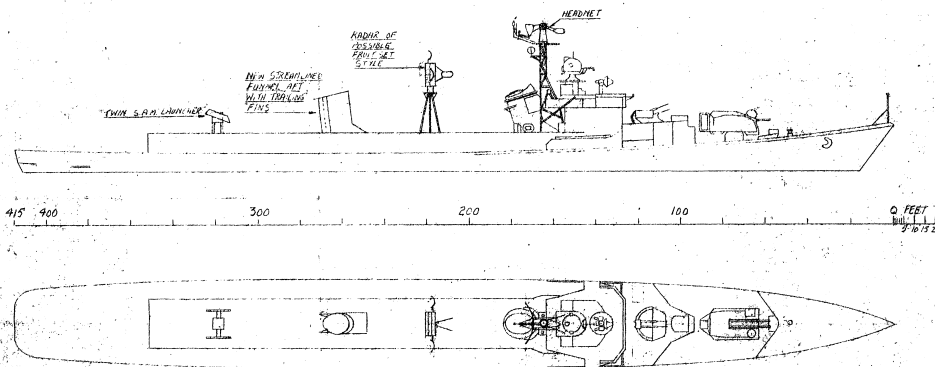
- (a) The first of this class building at LENINGRAD has been sighted underway off LENINGRAD.
- (b) Full details of the following points are still not clear:-
- (i) Forward S.A.M. Launcher. Existence and position of this piece of equipment.
 - (ii) Aerial array on bridge which may be a scaled down version of FRUIT SET, and probably stabilized platform.
 - (iii) Whether or not there are Torpedo Tubes.
 - (iv) Whether or not there is a superstructure between mainmast and after funnel, not shown on the drawing.
 - (v) Whether it is HAWK SCREECH or some other array and its position.
 - (vi) Position - or indeed the reality - of the after gun turrets, and their calibre.

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SOVIET KOTLIN CLASS
CONVERSION TO S.A.M. DESTROYER
PRELIMINARY OUTLINE

N.A.D. 8/38/62
MAY 1962



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